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SUBJECT: R/V EASTWARD-GULF OF PARIA CLEARANCE REQUEST

REF: (A) STATE 289831; (B) CARACAS 12895; (C) STATE 215064

1. FOR CARACAS: PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT FINAL CRUISE REPORT ON THE LAKE MARACARIBO CRUISE BY DR. NORMAN J. HYNE HAS BEEN FORWARDED DIRECTLY BY HIM TO THE FOREIGN MINISTRY.

2. AS DEADLINE IS APPROACHING FOR CRUISE TO BEGIN IT BECOMES URGENT FOR DUKE UNIVERSITY TO BE NOTIFIED OF DECISION ON CLEARANCE. PLEASE ADVISE STATUS ASAP. BEGIN FYI. INITIAL CLEARANCE REQUEST FOR SUBJECT CRUISE WAS SENT BY DOS ON 10 SEPT 1975. DOS CONSIDERS FOUR MONTHS SUFFICIENT TIME TO PROCESS REQUEST CONSIDERING DUKE UNIVERSITY HAS AGREED TO OR HAS ALREADY COMPLIED WITH OBLIGATIONS STATED BY HOST COUNTRIES. EMBASSIES SHOULD FEEL FREE TO STATE, IN AN INFORMAL-LOW KEY APPROACH, THAT THIS KIND
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OF DELAY WILL LEAD TO A CURTAILMENT OF MARINE SCIENCE

PROJECTS IN THEIR AREAS WITH THE SUBSEQUENT LOSS OF
OPPORTUNITY FOR THEIR SCIENTISTS TO PARTICIPATE ON THE
CRUISES AND SHARE IN THE DATA RESULTS. END FYI. SISCO

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